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In re Application of  
Yan Zhao  
Application No. 09/776,478  
Filed: February 2, 2001  
Attorney Docket No. 2046.084US1

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DECISION ON REQUEST  
TO WITHDRAW FROM  
RECORD  
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This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed by facsimile transmission on March 24, 2006.

The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney/agent of record must be signed by every attorney/agent seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. A request to withdraw will not be approved unless at least 30 (thirty) days would remain between the date of approval and the later of the expiration date of a time to file a response or the expiration date of the maximum time period which can be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

The request cannot be approved because there remains less than 30 (thirty days) between the date of this decision and the maximum extendable time period for filing a response to the Office action mailed on December 1, 2005.

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the above-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

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